



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
FOOD & AGRICULTURE

Karen Ross, Secretary

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Renewed / Amended

Permit No. QC 1034

PERMIT FOR ENTRY INTO CALIFORNIA OF SUGARCANE STALK PIECES FROM FLORIDA

Under authority of Title 3, California Code of Regulations, Section 3154 (Secretary May Issue Special Permits), permission is granted to the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS), to authorize firms to ship to California sugarcane that was grown and treated in Florida and which otherwise would be prohibited entry into California under the requirements of Section 3272, Cornstalk and Sugarcane Borers and Section 3271, Burrowing and Reniform Nematode Exterior Quarantine, under the following conditions:

1. Shippers may only be approved if they are under a compliance agreement with FDACS to only ship sugarcane stalk pieces authorized by this permit and to adhere to the requirements of this permit.
2. Prior to commencement of shipping, this office shall be provided with the names and addresses of approved shippers and a copy of their compliance agreements.
3. All cane cuttings shall be taken at least 12" above the ground level and be free from soil and roots.
4. The sugarcane pieces shall not exceed 46 mm in diameter and 90 cm in length. See condition #6 for other cane sizes.
5. The sugarcane shall be hot water treated (submerged with continuous agitation) at 52° C for 45 minutes prior to shipment. Timing of treatment shall not begin until the water temperature has reached 52° C after cane introduction.
6. For larger diameter or length canes, the sugarcane shall be hot water treated and the pulp temperature must reach 49.8° C within a 45-minute period. The pulp temperature shall be taken in the center of stalks located toward the center of the stalk bundles or treatment tank/vat.
7. The FDACS shall closely supervise shippers to ensure that the conditions of this permit are met. Supervision shall include verification that each treatment is properly conducted.
8. The shipper shall keep accurate records of each treatment performed that shall include: the date, time of day treatment was initiated and completed and associated temperature readings.



9. Each shipment shall be accompanied by an original certificate issued by an authorized representative of the FDACS affirming that the shipment of sugarcane pieces has been cut and treated as required in conditions #3, 4, and 5 or 3 and 6.
10. Each certificate shall have the additional declaration, "This shipment meets the requirements of Master Permit QC 1034 and has undergone an approved hot water treatment for the southern cornstalk borer, sugarcane borer and West Indian sugarcane root borer."
11. Treated and untreated sugarcane pieces shall not be commingled at any time.
12. Sugarcane pieces shipped to California under this permit are subject to inspection upon arrival in California.

Unless earlier revoked, this permit is valid through August 31, 2020.



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